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Hello,

I am submitting my public comments for the Draize irritancy test. I urge you to:

- -recommend federal agencies immediately begin accepting the alternative found to be useful
- -move forward with recommended improvements in the alternatives without delaying the acceptance of the tests current forms
- -go beyond the current efforts by developing and validating nonanimal methods to completely replace the use of the Draize test

The Federal government can take this step that will reduce laboratory animal pain and suffering.

Sincerely,

Jill Gambino